

[27th August 1926]

II

COMMUNICATION TO THE COUNCIL.

With reference to the Legislative Council resolution passed at its meeting of the 13th December 1921, and G.O. No. 42, Finance, dated the 11th January 1922, the Secretary laid on the table copies of statement of posts on Rs. 500 per mensem and above that have been created during the quarter ending June 1926.

[*Note.*—An asterish (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III

THE MADRAS IRRIGATION BILL.

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—“ I have to communicate to the House the following messages of His Excellency the Governor :—

I

His Excellency the Governor of Madras with the consent of His Excellency the Governor-General returns the Madras Irrigation Bill for further consideration by the Legislative Council with the recommendation that the Council shall consider amendments to sections 4 (5) (a), 4 (5) (d), 8 (a), 8 (b), 16, 20, 21 (2), 23, 46 (1), (3) and (4), 63 (1), 64, 65 (2) (a), 74, 78 (1), 79, 85, 109 (1) and 111.

6th January 1926.

II

His Excellency the Governor recommends that the Madras Legislative Council do consider and pass the following amendments to the Madras Irrigation Bill which has been returned by him with the consent of His Excellency the Governor-General under clause (a) of sub-section 2 of section 81-A of the Government of India Act. The reasons for these amendments are explained in the note appended to each of them.

8th January 1926.

III

His Excellency the Governor recommends that the Madras Legislative Council do consider and pass the following amendment to the Madras Irrigation Bill which has been returned by him with the consent of His Excellency the Governor-General under clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 81-A of the Government of India Act :—

Section 46 (3).

Omit this section.

28th June 1926.

IV

His Excellency the Governor recommends that the Madras Legislative Council do consider and pass the following amendments to the Madras Irrigation Bill which has been returned by him with the consent of His Excellency the Governor-General under clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 81-A of the Government of India Act. The amendments are consequent on the omission of section 46 (3) recommended to the Madras Legislative Council in His Excellency's message of 28th June 1926.

Section 46.

Sub-section (3).

For the existing sub-section substitute the following :—

“ The Government may prescribe from time to time the rules under which and the rates at which cess shall be levied under this section and different rates for different irrigation or drainage works or different areas may be prescribed.”

Section 62.

For the first sentence substitute the following :—

“ An annual charge in respect of such scheme may be levied according to rules to be made by the Local Government under the provisions of section 111 on the owners of all lands which shall, in the manner prescribed by such rules, be determined to be so chargeable.”